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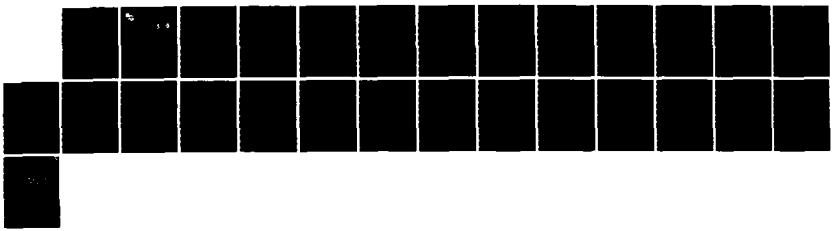

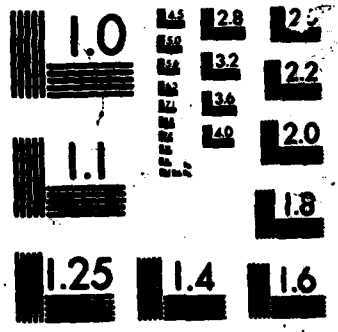

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STUDY DIRECTOR: MAJ Don W. Korte Jr, PhD

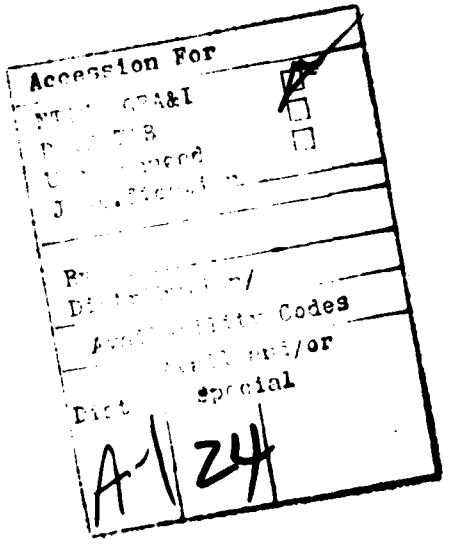
PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR: SP4 Steven K. Sano, BA

REPORT AND DATA MANAGEMENT: A copy of the final report, study protocols, raw data, retired SOPs, and an aliquot of the test compound will be retained in the LAIR Archives.

TEST SUBSTANCE: p-Dithiane (TA039)

INCLUSIVE STUDY DATES: 24 September - 12 October 1984

OBJECTIVE: The objective of this study was to determine the mutagenic potential of p-dithiane (Batch Number 3030TH, LAIR Code TA039) by using the Ames Salmonella/Mammalian Microsome Mutagenicity Assay.



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We, the undersigned, declare that GLP study number 84031 was performed under our supervision, according to the procedures decribed herein, and that this report is an accurate record of the results obtained.

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18 August 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Report of GLP Compliance

1. I hereby certify that in relation to LAIR GLP Study 84031 the following inspections were made:

10 October 1984

12 October 1984

2. The report and raw data for this study were audited on 10 May 1984.

3. Routine inspections with no adverse findings are reported quarterly, thus these inspections are also included in the 21 January 1985 report to Management and the Study Director.

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Mutagenic Potential of: p-Dithiane (TA039)--Sano and Korte

The Ames Salmonella/Mammalian Microsome Mutagenicity Assay is a short-term screening assay that utilizes histidine auxotrophic mutant strains of Salmonella typhimurium to detect those compounds which are potentially mutagenic in mammals. A mammalian microsomal enzyme system is incorporated in the assay to increase sensitivity by simulating in vivo metabolic activation of the test compound. The Ames assay is an inexpensive yet highly predictive and reliable assay for detecting mutagenic activity and thus carcinogenic potential (1).

Objective of the Study

The objective of this study was to determine the mutagenic potential of p-dithiane (Batch Number 3030TH, LAIR Code TA039) by using the Ames Salmonella/Mammalian Microsome Mutagenicity Assay.

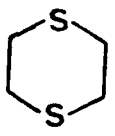
METHODS

Test Compound

Chemical name: p-Dithiane

Chemical Abstract Service Registry No.: 51330-42-8

Structural formula:



Empirical formula: $C_4H_5S_2$

Storage: Ten grams of p-dithiane (Batch Number 3030TH) were received from Aldrich Chemical Company, Inc (Milwaukee, WI) on 22 August 1984 and assigned the LAIR Code number TA039. The test compound was stored in a dessicator at room temperature (21°C) until use.

Chemical Properties/Analysis: Data characterizing the chemical composition and purity of the test material were obtained from Aldrich Chemical Co, Inc and confirmed by Infrared Spectrometer performed by the Toxicology Group, LAIR (Presidio of San Francisco, CA) (Appendix A).

Test Solvent

The test compound and the positive control chemicals were dissolved in grade I dimethyl sulfoxide (Lot Number 100F-0269) obtained from Sigma Chemical Co (St. Louis, MO).

Chemical Preparation

p-Dithiane was stored in a dessicator at room temperature (21°C) until used. On the day before dosing, 300 mg of the test compound was measured into a sterile vial and again stored at room temperature. On the day of dosing, the 300 mg sample was dissolved in a 6 ml volume of grade I dimethyl sulfoxide (Lot Number 100F-0269) to achieve a 5% (w/v) solution. Aliquots of this solution were used to dose the test plates. The dosing procedure was completed within 20 minutes of dissolving the test compound.

Test Strains

Salmonella strains TA98, TA100, TA1535, TA1537, and TA1538, obtained directly from Dr. Bruce Ames, University of California, Berkeley, were used. These strains were maintained in our laboratory at -80°C. Quality controls were run concurrently with the test substance to establish the validity of their special features and to determine the spontaneous reversion rate. Descriptions of the strains, their genetic markers, and the methods for strain validation are given in the LAIR SOP, OP-STX-1 (2).

Test Format

p-Dithiane was evaluated for mutagenic potential according of Ames et al (3). A detailed description of the to the methods methodology is given in LAIR SOP, OP-STX-1 (2).

Toxicity Tests

Toxicity tests were conducted to determine a sublethal concentration of the test substance. This toxicity level was found by

using minimal glucose agar (MGA) plates, concentrations of p-dithiane ranging from 1.6×10^{-3} mg/plate to 5 mg/plate, and approximately 10^8 cells of TA100 per plate. Top agar containing trace amounts of histidine and biotin were placed on the plates. Strain verification was confirmed on the bacteria, along with a determination of the spontaneous reversion rate. After incubation, the growth on the plates was observed. Since none of the plates showed decreased macrocolony formation (below the level of the spontaneous reversion plates) or an observable reduction in the density of the background lawn, a maximum "limit" dose of 5 mg per plate was used in the mutagenicity assay.

Mutagenicity Assay

The test substance was evaluated over a 1000-fold range of concentrations, decreasing from the minimum toxic level (the maximum or limit dose) by a dilution factor of 5 both with and without 0.5 ml of the S-9 microsome fraction. The S-9 was purchased from Litton Bionetics (Kensington, MD). The optimal titer of this S-9, as determined by Litton Bionetics, was 0.75 mg protein/plate. After all the ingredients were added, the top agar was mixed, then overlaid on MGA plates. These plates contained 2% glucose and Vogel Bonner "E" Concentrate (4). The water used in this medium and in all reagents came from a Polymetric model 200-3 Water Purifier (Sunnyvale, CA). Plates were incubated upside down in the dark, at 37°C for 48 hours. Plates were prepared in triplicate and the average revertant counts were recorded. The average number of revertants at each dose level was compared to the average number of spontaneous revertants (negative control). The spontaneous reversion rate (with and without S-9) was monitored by averaging the counts from two determinations run simultaneously with the test compound assay. The spontaneous reversion rate was determined by inoculating one set of plates before and one set after the test compound assay plates so that any change in spontaneous reversion rate during the dosing procedure would be detected. This spontaneous reversion rate was also compared with historical values for this laboratory and those cited in Ames et al (3). Concurrent sterility and strain verification controls were run. All reagents, test compounds, and media were checked for sterility by plating samples of each on MGA media and incubating them at 37°C with the test plates. The Salmonella strains were verified by a standard battery of tests. The following tests were run to determine if:

- Lipopolysaccharide layer (LP) alteration causes growth inhibition in the presence of crystal violet.

- An ampicillin-resistant R factor has allowed growth in strains TA98 and TA100 in the presence of ampicillin impregnated disks.

- Absence of excision repair mechanism has inhibited growth in the presence of ultraviolet light.

Four known mutagens were tested as positive controls to confirm the responsiveness of the strains to the mutation process. These compounds, benzo [a] pyrene, 2-aminofluorene, 2-aminoanthracene and N-methyl-n-'nitro-n-nitrosoguanidine, were obtained from Sigma Chemical Co (St. Louis, MO). The test compound and mutagens were handled during this study in accordance with the standards published in NIH Guidelines for the Laboratory Use of Chemical Carcinogens (DHHS Publication No. (NIH) 81-2385, May 1981).

Data Interpretation

According to Brusick (5), a compound is considered mutagenic if the following criteria are met:

1. For strain TA98 and TA100, a positive dose response (correlated dose response) over three dose concentrations is achieved with at least the highest dose yielding a revertant colony count greater than or equal to twice the spontaneous revertant colony count for the strain. A strong correlated dose response in strain TA100 without a doubling of the individual colony count may also be considered positive.

2. For strains TA1535, TA1537, and TA1538, a correlated dose response over three concentrations is achieved with at least one dose yielding a revertant colony count three times the spontaneous colony count for the strain.

RESULTS

On 3 October 1984, the toxicity level determination was performed on p-dithiane (Table 1). For this experiment all sterility, strain verification, positive and negative controls were normal (Table 2). No toxicity was observed after exposure of the tester strain (TA100) to the highest dose used (5 mg/plate).

Normal results were obtained for all sterility, strain verification, and negative controls during the Ames Assay performed during the 3-day period 10 to 12 October 1984 (Tables 3-4). p-Dithiane did not induce any appreciable increase in the revertant colony counts relative to those of the negative control cultures (Table 5).

TABLE 1

TOXICITY LEVEL DETERMINATION

Substance assayed: p-DITHIANE (TA039) Substance dissolved in: DMSO

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TA 100 REVERTANT PLATE COUNT

Test Compound Concentration	Plate #1	Plate #2	Plate #3	Average	Background Lawn (1)
5 mg/plate	86	95	104	95	NL
1 mg/plate	115	104	106	108	NL
0.2 mg/plate	105	97	108	103	NL
0.04 mg/plate	107	85	104	99	NL
0.008 mg/plate	78	82	97	86	NL
0.0016 mg/plate	108	95	113	105	NL

(1) NG = No Growth ST = Slight Growth NL = Normal Lawn

TABLE 2

STRAIN VERIFICATION FOR TOXICITY LEVEL DETERMINATION

Strains	Histidine Requirement	Ampicillin Resistance	Sensitivity to UV	Sensitivity to Crystal Violet	Sterility Control	Response (1)
100	G	G	NG	NG (16mm)	NG	+
Wild Type	NT	NT	G	NT	NT	+

STERILITY CONTROL FOR TOXICITY LEVEL DETERMINATION

His-Bio Mix Initial: NG End: NG MGA Plate: NG

Top Agar Initial: NG End: NG

Diluent: DMSO:NG Nutrient Broth: NG

Test Compound TA037: (a) NG TA038: (b) NG TA039: (c) NG (d)_____ (e)_____

G = Growth NG = No Growth NT = Not Tested NA = Not Applicable

Spontaneous Revertants: TA 100, No S-9 (102,111, 90)101

(1) + = expected response - = unexpected response

Study Number: 84031 Date: 4 OCT 84 By: SANO

TABLE 3

STRAIN VERIFICATION CONTROL FOR ASSAY

Strains	Histidine Requirement	Ampicillin Resistance	UV	Sensitivity to Crystal Violet	Sterility Control	Response (1)
98	NG	G	NG	NG (17mm)	NG	+
100	NG	G	NG	NG (20mm)	NG	+
1535	NG	NT	NG	NG (18mm)	NG	+
1537	NG	NG (15mm)	NG	NG (17mm)	NG	+
1538	NG	NT	NG	NG (16mm)	NG	+
Wild Type	NT	NT	G	NT	NT	+

STERILITY CONTROL FOR ASSAY

His-Bio Mix Initial: NG End: NG Diluent: DMSO: NG

Top Agar Initial: NG End: NG NGA Plate: NG

S-9 Mix Initial: NG End: NG Nutrient Broth: NG

Test Compound (a) TA037: NG (b) TA038: NG (c) TA039: NG (d)_____ (e)_____ (f)_____

G = Growth NG = No Growth NT = Not Tested NA = Not Applicable

Study Number: 84031 By: SANO

Date: 11 OCT 84

(1) + = expected response
- = unexpected response

TABLE 4

POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE CONTROL TEST

(Revertants/plate)
mean

COMPOUND	DOSE LEVEL	S-9 ADDED	STRAIN NUMBER TA98	TA100	TA1535	TA1537	TA1538
AF	2 ug/plate	YES	(772,825,982) 860	(1053,878,1216) 1049			(913,966,820) 900
BP	2 ug/plate	YES	(230,175,387) 264	(335,332,302) 323		(32, 25, 21) 26	(78, 46, 86) 70
AA	2 ug/plate	YES	(1488,1613,1754) 1618	(1725,1495,1994) 1738		(224,205,211) 213	(927,1073,1089) 1030
MNNG	2 ug/plate	NO		(1935,1737,2129) 1934			
	20 ug/plate	NO			(1852,1783,2053) 1896		
SPONTANEOUS REVERSION RATE (NEGATIVE CONTROL)							
Before Assay		YES	(15, 13, 15)	(89,102, 94)	(15, 13, 12)	(5, 6, 1)	(12, 14, 14)
After Assay		YES	(27, 16, 16) 17	(113,113,106) 103	(20, 15, 16) 15	(4, 3, 5) 4	(16, 8, 8) 12
Before Assay		NO	(13, 24, 18)	(86, 88, 87)	(13, 13, 16)	(1, 4, 6)	(13, 11, 18)
After Assay		NO	(13, 17, 20) 18	(99, 79,108) 91	(17, 15, 16) 15	(6, 4, 9) 5	(9, 15, 8) 12

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Compounds: AF = 2-aminoflourene, BP = Benzo (a) pyrene, AA = 2-aminoanthracene, MNNG = N-methyl-n'-nitro-n-nitrosoguanidine

TABLE 5

p-DITHIANE ASSAY

(Revertants/Plate)
Mean

COMPOUND	DOSE LEVEL	S-9 ADDED	STRAIN NUMBER TA98	TA100	TA1535	TA1537	TA1538
TA039	5 mg/plate	YES	(16, 14, 16) 15	(84, 73, 79) 79	(9, 11, 9) 10	(3, 1, 2) 2	(14, 9, 11) 11
		NO	(15, 19, 13) 16	(92, 90, 96) 93	(11, 10, 9) 10	(5, 3, 2) 3	(10, 10, 20) 13
TA039	1 mg/plate	YES	(18, 15, 18) 17	(90, 70,112) 91	(9, 12, 17) 13	(7, 5, 9) 7	(18, 12, 16) 15
		NO	(12, 16, 18) 15	(98, 84, 93) 92	(11, 16, 15) 14	(3, 3, 8) 5	(7, 14, 10) 10
TA039	0.2 mg/plate	YES	(19, 22, 18) 20	(98, 84,104) 95	(15, 16, 12) 14	(4, 5, 5) 5	(6, 15, 8) 10
		NO	(17, 14, 12) 14	(99, 87, 98) 95	(14, 14, 17) 15	(7, 2, 4) 4	(9, 9, 8) 9

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TABLE 5 (cont.)

p-DITHIANE (TA039)

(Revertants/Plate)
Mean

COMPOUND	DOSE LEVEL	S-9 ADDED	STRAIN NUMBER TA98	TA100	TA1535	TA1537	TA1538
TA039	0.04 mg/plate	YES	(14, 18, 20) 17	(109, 92,105) 102	(19, 12, 10) 14	(2, 4, 4) 3	(8, 11, 15) 11
		NO	(8, 15, 17) 13	(106, 95,104) 102	(21, 24, 15) 20	(5, 3, 5) 4	(13, 5, 6) 8
TA039	0.008 mg/plate	YES	(22, 26, 10) 19	(101, 81,105) 96	(13, 14, 15) 14	(9, 5, 5) 6	(10, 9, 18) 12
		NO	(7, 10, 27) 15	(86, 87, 79) 84	(15, 15, 11) 14	(14, 4, 2) 7	(6, 13, 18) 12
TA039	0.0016 mg/plate	YES	(16, 20, 18) 18	(112,105,125) 114	(9, 11, 15) 12	(1, 4, 3) 3	(11, 13, 10) 11
		NO	(25, 13, 7) 15	(99,109, 85) 98	(15, 17, 16) 16	(9, 7, 7) 8	(18, 13, 9) 13

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DISCUSSION

Certain test criteria must be satisfied before an Ames assay can be considered a valid assessment of a compound's mutagenic potential. First, the special features of the Ames strains must be verified. These features include demonstration of ampicillin resistance, LP layer alterations, and DNA excision repair deficiencies. Second, the Salmonella strains must be responsive to the mutagenic process by exposing the strains to known mutagens. Third, the optimal concentration of the test compound must be determined by treating TA100 with a broad range of doses and observing the potential toxic effects on macrocolony and microcolony formation. If these tests are performed and expected data are obtained, then the results of Ames assay can be considered valid.

After validation of bacterial strains and selection of optimal sublethal doses, p-dithiane was evaluated in the Ames assay. Criteria for a positive response are a correlated dose-response relationship for the positive strains and a two-fold (strains TA98 or TA100) or three-fold (strains TA1535, TA1537, or TA1538) increase in revertant colony counts relative to the respective negative control counts (5). p-Dithiane did not induce the requisite dose-response relationship or the increase in revertant colony counts necessary for a positive response. Thus, the results of this assay indicate that p-dithiane is not mutagenic when evaluated in the Ames assay.

CONCLUSION

p-Dithiane, both with and without metabolic activation, is not mutagenic in the Ames assay as conducted in this study.

RECOMMENDATION

p-Dithiane should be tested in other genetic toxicity assays in accordance with the Toxic Substance Control Act.

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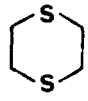
CHEMICAL DATA

Chemical name: 1,4-Dithiane

Chemical Abstracts Service Registry No.: 505-29-3

Chemical structure:



Molecular formula: $C_4H_8S_2$

Molecular weight: 120.24

Physical state: White crystals

Melting point: 110-112°C (data supplied by source)

Source: Aldrich Chemical Co.
Milwaukee, WI

Lot number: 3030TH

Analytical data: Compound was described as 97% pure by source. Analysis provided by sponsor demonstrated a purity of 99.92%.* NMR and IR analyses were performed after receipt of the compound: NMR (80 MHz, d_6-DMSO): δ 2.82 (Singlet, 8 H, $-CH_2-$).† IR (KBr): 2945, 2905, 1410, 1280, 1270, 1150, 905, and 890 cm^{-1}.‡ NMR and IR data were identical to published standard IR§ and NMR spectra.

Stability: No decomposition of 1,4-dithiane was detected by NMR after 66 h in DMSO.†

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ANALYTICAL DATA

Date June 18, 1984

Our: D21770-0 Para-dithiane, 97%

Batch No.: 3030TH

Analytical Results:

Appearance Off white crystals

m.p. 111-113 deg. C b.p.

n_D^{25} $[\alpha]_D$

Spectral Data:

I.R. Conforms to structure and standard as illustrated on page 160 B of Edition III, of "The Aldrich Library of Infrared Spectra".

U.V.

N.M.R.

Assay:

V.P.C.

Titration 99.9%, S-Content

Other

KB/kb

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APPENDIX A (cont.)

SGRD-UBG-L 24 July 84

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. REDDY

SUBJECT: Results from the Chemical Analysis of Three Compounds Slated for Toxicity Testing

Benzothiazole, 1,4-thioxane and 1,4-dithiane were given by Dr. Reddy for analysis on 15 June 84. The following is a summary of the results from those analysis:

	% of Total	Formula	Compound	Other Possibilities
Benzothiazole				
	98.88	C_7H_5NS	Benzothiazole	
	0.61	C_8H_7NS	2-Methylbenzothiazole	(Isomers)
	0.25	$C_4H_3N_3$	Aniline	3 or 4-Cyanopyrazole
	0.12	$C_{10}H_{10}S_2$	Diphenyldisulfide	
	0.11	C_7H_9N	Toluidine (isomers)	Benzylamine, N-Methylaniline
	0.03	C_8H_7NS	Methylbenzothiazole	(Isomers)
1,4-Thioxane				
	98.93	C_4H_8OS	1,4-Thioxane	
	1.06	$C_4H_8S_2$	1,4-Dithiane	
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